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DEVELOPMENT OF PORT TRUST
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any plan to develop port trust in the country particularly in Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith funds allocated for this purpose;

(c) whether the Government have any mechanism to look into the affairs of the port trusts in the process of cargo handling;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of cargo handled and the income generated during each of the last three years in major port trusts in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING (SHRI VEDPRAKASH P. GOYAL)

(a)&(b) There are 12 major ports including 2 major ports in Maharashtra under the administrative control of the Ministry of Shipping. Development of these ports is an ongoing process. During the Tenth Five Year Plan (2002-07), it is proposed to enhance capacity and improve productivity with focus on measures aimed at modernization, rendering cost effective services, enhancement of service quality, commercialisation through corporatisation and increased private sector participation in major ports. An outlay of Rs.902.12 crores has been approved for development of the major ports under Annual Plan 2002-03. Out of this, an amount of Rs.258.41 crores is for development of the 2 major ports, namely, Jawaharlal Nehru Port and Mumbai Port in Maharashtra.

(c)&(d) The Ministry of Shipping reviews the performance of the major ports including their cargo handling operations from time to time.

(e) The information for the 12 major ports is contained in the table below:-

Year	Cargo handled in 12 major ports (in million tonnes)	Total gross income in 12 major ports including income from cargo handling (Rs. In crores)
1999-2000	271.92	4080.36
2000-2001	281.10	4302.64
2001-2002	287.57	4904.16